



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

MCQUEEN, David A. et al.

Serial No. : 09/239,870

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CONSTRAINED ACETABULAR INSERT
FOR TOTAL HIP ARTHROPLASTY

Docket No. 26858

Conf. No. 6638

Group Art Unit No. 3738

Examiner: LANDREM, Kamrin R

Assistant Commissioner of Patents

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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants, through their attorneys, hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time in which to file a response to office action of March 30, 2005. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17, a check in the amount of \$510.00 is enclosed herewith for the three-month fee.

In the event that the foregoing request or fee calculation is incorrect, this Petition should be construed as one for sufficient time to permit timely filing of the present reply. Any additional fee which is due in connection with this Petition should be applied against our Deposit Account No. 19-0522.

Respectfully submitted,

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